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**TRANSMITTAL LETTER TO THE UNITED STATES DESIGNATED/ELECTED OFFICE (DO/EO/US)
CONCERNING A FILING UNDER 35 USC 371**

International Application No.: PCT/US00/19746
International Filing Date: 19/07/2000
Priority Date Claimed: 19/07/1999
Title of Invention: CATHETER FOR UNIFORM DELIVERY OF MEDICATION
Applicants for DO/EO/US: I-Flow Corporation

Applicant herewith submits to the United States Designated/Elected Office (DO/EO/US) the following items and other information:

1. (X) This is a **FIRST** submission of items concerning a filing under 35 USC 371.
2. (X) This express request to begin national examination procedures (35 USC 371(f)) at any time rather than delay examination until the expiration of the applicable time limit set in 35 USC 371(b) and PCT Articles 22 and 39(1).
3. (X) A proper Demand for International Preliminary Examination was made by the 19th month from the earliest claimed priority date.
(X) A copy of PCT/IPEA/402 is enclosed.
4. (X) A copy of the International Application as filed (35 USC 371(c)(2))
 - a) () is transmitted herewith (required only if not transmitted by the International Bureau).
 - b) (X) has been transmitted by the International Bureau.
 - c) (X) a copy of Form PCT/1B/308 is enclosed.
 - d) () is not required, as the application was filed in the United States Receiving Office (RO/US).
5. (X) Amendments to the claims of the International Application under PCT Article 19 (35 USC 371(c)(3))
 - a) () are transmitted herewith (required only if not transmitted by the International Bureau).
 - b) () have been transmitted by the International Bureau.
 - c) () have not been made; however, the time limit for making such amendments has NOT expired.
 - d) (X) have not been made and will not be made.
6. (X) A copy of the International Preliminary Examination Report with any annexes thereto, such as any amendments made under PCT Article 34.
7. (X) A copy of the International Application as published, including:
 - a. (X) Publication Cover Sheet
 - b. (X) 26 pages of disclosure.
 - c. (X) 5 pages of drawings.
 - d. (X) International Search Report
8. (X) The present application qualifies for small entity status under 37 C.F.R. § 1.27.

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9. (X) A return prepaid postcard.
10. (X) Before calculation of the filing fee, please cancel claims 1-12 and 54-72 without prejudice or disclaimer.
11. (X) The following fees are submitted:

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TOTAL NATIONAL FEE				\$844

10. (X) The fee for later submission of the signed oath or declaration set forth in 37 CFR 1.492(e) will be paid upon submission of the declaration.
11. (X) A check in the amount of \$844 to cover the above fees is enclosed.
12. (X) The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge only those additional fees which may be required, now or in the future, to avoid abandonment of the application, or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 11-1410.

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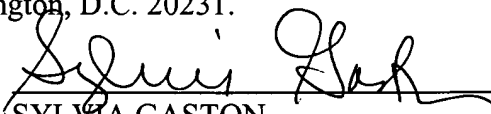
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